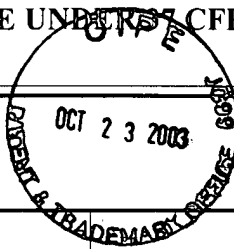


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)

Docket No.
P4470

In Re Application Of:
Douglas R. Marquis



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Invention: **FOOD PREPORTIONING BAG**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of April 18, 2003 above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☒ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: July 18, 2003
Date

until: October 18, 2003
Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is **\$475** and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **18-2284**
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **18-2284** A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Signature

Dated: **October 17, 2003**

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~~I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.~~

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